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*Allotment* has the same meaning as in 43 CFR 2561.0–5(b).

Conservation System Unit has the same meaning as under Sec. 102(4) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act of December 2, 1980, 16 U.S.C. 3102(4).

Consistent and inconsistent mean compatible and incompatible, respectively, in accordance with the guidelines in these regulations in §§ 2568.102 through 2568.106.

Veteran has the same meaning as in 38 U.S.C. 101, paragraph 2.

#### Information Collection

# § 2568.40 Does BLM have the authority to ask me for the information required in these regulations?

- (a) Yes. The Office of Management and Budget has approved, under 44 U.S.C. 3507, the information collection requirements contained in Subpart 2568 and has assigned them clearance number 1004-0191 for Form AK-2561-10. BLM uses this information to determine if using the public lands is appropriate. You must respond to obtain a benefit.
- (b) BLM estimates that the public reporting burden for this information is as follows: 28 hours per response to fill out form AK-2561-10. These estimates include the time for reviewing instruction, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed and completing the collection of information.
- (c) Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C St. N.W., Mail Stop 401 LS, Washington, D.C. 20240.

WHO IS QUALIFIED FOR AN ALLOTMENT

## § 2568.50 What qualifications do I need to be eligible for an allotment?

To qualify for an allotment you must:

- (a) Have been eligible for an allotment under the Native Allotment Act as it was in effect before December 18, 1971; and
- (b) Establish that you used land in accordance with the regulation in effect before December 18, 1971, and that

the land is still owned by the Federal government; and

- (c) Be a veteran who served at least six months between January 1, 1969, and December 31, 1971, or enlisted or was drafted after June 2, 1971, but before December 3, 1971; and
- (d) Not have already received conveyance or approval of an allotment. (However, if you are otherwise qualified to receive an allotment under the Alaska Native Veterans Allotment Act, you will still qualify even if you received another allotment interest by inheritance, devise, gift, or purchase); and
- (e) Not have a Native allotment application pending on October 21, 1998; and
- (f) Reside in the State of Alaska or, in the case of a deceased veteran, have been a resident of Alaska at the time of death.

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### PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES

#### § 2568.60 May the personal representatives of eligible deceased veterans apply on their behalf?

Yes. The personal representative or special administrator, appointed in the appropriate Alaska State court proceeding, may apply for an allotment for the benefit of a deceased veteran's heirs if the deceased veteran served in South East Asia at any time during the period beginning August 5, 1964, and ending December 31, 1971, and during that period the deceased veteran:

- (a) Was killed in action,
- (b) Was wounded in action and later died as a direct consequence of that wound, as determined and certified by the Department of Veterans Affairs, or
  - (c) Died while a prisoner of war.

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### § 2568.61 What are the requirements for a personal representative?

The person filing the application must present proof of a current appointment as personal representative of the estate of the deceased veteran by the proper court, or proof that this appointment process has begun.